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PATENT APPLICATION
Attorney Docket: <u>YOR920030357US (728-238)</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Ioana Stanoi et al.	Examiner: Shew Fen Lin
Serial No.: 10/653,550	Group: Art Unit: 2166
Filed: September 2, 2003	Dated: June 29, 2006

For: SELECTIVE PATH SIGNATURES FOR QUERY PROCESSING
OVER A HIERARCHICAL TAGGED DATA STRUCTURE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. "1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

[ ] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. "1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

[X] No additional fee is required.

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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	4	0	X100 =	$0.00	x200 =	$0.00
[] First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				180.00		360.00	$0.00

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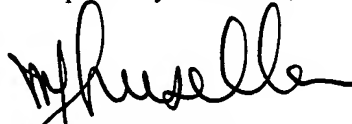### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks.